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REMARKS _____

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1. On 22 May 1951, the Artillerie Kaserne on Leninstrasse, Chemnitz (N 51/K 66), was still occupied by troops who wore black-bordered red epaulets. _____

2. Between 5 May and 2 June the Luftkriegsschule in Dresden-Klotzsche quartered only about 50 troops, who wore black-bordered red epaulets, and had a kennel with 30 to 40 dogs. About 25 percent of the windows in the barracks buildings visible from the street were lighted in the evening of 19 May. Some groups of soldiers were engaged in training the dogs. _____ about 1,000 troops with black-bordered crimson epaulets must have left the installation during the first days of May, accompanied by 40 to 50 dogs. _____

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3. Between 19 May and 8 June 1951, the Puffer Kaserne in Dresden was still occupied by troops who wore black-bordered crimson epaulets. _____

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4. On 25 May and 2 June, the Heil Kaserne in Halle (N 52/D 92) still quartered about 400 troops who wore black-bordered crimson epaulets. An officer observed on 25 May still wore red-bordered green epaulets. The troops maintained a dog kennel. There was little training activity or vehicular traffic. _____

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5. Between 1 and 10 June, the quarters at 2 and 9 Pestalozzistrasse, 6 Zickzack-Promenade, and on Michaelis-Stollen in Ansbarg (N 51/K 73) were occupied by Unit _____. The unit had a total of 400 to 600 men who wore black-bordered crimson epaulets and were equipped with small arms. All the men were recruits. Officers of the unit included Lieutenant Colonel Muskevich (fnu), commanding officer; and Captain Uziechenko (fnu) and Lieutenant Gubrin (fnu), supply

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officers. [redacted]

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6. MGB Unit [redacted] commanded by Major Kutok (fnu), was located on the premises of the former Lehnert Factory at 93 Markstrasse and at 8-10 Leninstrasse, formerly Willichstrasse. The personnel wore black-bordered crimson epaulets. Specifically, from 600 to 800 men, mostly recruits, were quartered in the Lehnert Factory. The supply officer there was Major Pichurkin (fnu). The troops were assigned to guard duty at the mines and engaged in field training in the vicinity. The quarters at 8-10 Leninstrasse housed about 500 trained personnel.

7. The buildings at 1 and 2 Lesningstrasse and at 1 Karl Marx Platz were officers' billets. The administrative offices were also at 1 Karl Marx Platz. [redacted]

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Comments.

- (2) [redacted] the Luftkriegsschule in Dresden-Klotzsche quartered an estimated 2,000 troops including about 500 air force personnel. Thus, the statement in the present report that the number of MGB troops in the installation was about 1,500 at the beginning of May 1951 may be correct. [redacted]

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- (3) [redacted] the Bucher Kaserne still quarters MGB troops.
- (4) The information confirms the Bucher Kaserne as being occupied by an MGB unit of about battalion strength.
- (5) The boys' school at Michaels Stollen, Annaberg, is the only installation which has been previously reported as quarters of an MGB unit. The unit, however, was replaced by troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets. Since only one of the motor vehicles mentioned in the present report belongs to an MGB series and most of the other vehicles belong to the 4th Gds AAA Div and headquarters units of the First Gds Recz Army, it is believed that not all installations mentioned are occupied by MGB troops.

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- (6) [redacted] MGB offices in Dresden and Zwickau. both the Lehnert Factory and the buildings on Leninstrasse each quarter an MGB unit of about battalion strength. The units performed guard duty at the mines. [redacted]

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